I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE AUTHOR REPORT FILED	NOTES
228-36 (LS)		Relative to posthumously recognizing and commending the late Casanova Nakamura for his services and contributions to the FSM community of Guam and the community of Guam as a whole; and extending our sincere condodences to his family on his passing.	12/14/21 4:33 p.m.	12/17/21 6:00 p.m.						

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Resolution No. 228-36 (LS)

Introduced by:

Clynton E. Ridgell

Relative to posthumously recognizing and commending the late *Casanova Nakamura* for his services and contributions to the FSM community of Guam and the community of Guam as a whole; and extending our sincere condolences to his family on his passing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN: WHEREAS, Casanova Nakamura was born in Chuuk on July 10, 1956, to Satoru Nakamura and Kaieko John. He was married to Mayumi Kumos Nakamura with whom

- 5 he had seven (7) children: Thomson Kumos, Jabbar Nakamura, Jenny Nakamura, Myra
- 6 Nakamura, Cassius Nakamura, Cassidy Nakamura, and Jenessa Lyn Nakamura; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Nakamura was born and raised on the island of Toleisom with
- 8 his parents and six (6) siblings. In Chuuk, Mr. Nakamura was a member of the Tol
- 9 Natives Team. In 1980 he played for the Chuuk All-Star Basketball team and also
- served as a police officer for the Chuuk State Police; and
- 11 **WHEREAS,** during his time serving as a police officer he worked with former
- 12 Attorney General Fijita Peter before returning to his home village to become its chief
- 13 of police; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Nakamura moved to Guam in 1989 to pursue better work 2 opportunities and went on to lead a commendable life of service to the FSM community 3 of Guam; and 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Nakamura attended Eastern Arizona University where he 5 studied criminal justice; and 6 WHEREAS, Mr. Nakamura was an active member and leader in various 7 community organizations. He served as the President of the FSM Association of Guam; 8 Vice President of the Chuuk Association of Guam; and served as a Chuukese language 9 interpreter for the Judiciary of Guam; and 10 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Nakamura began working as a Chuukese language interpreter 11 for the Judiciary of Guam in 2012 and became its longest serving interpreter. 12 Throughout his time as an interpreter, he served hundreds of clients, earned a reputation for punctuality and professionalism, and was well-known for being passionate about 13 14 helping his peers; and 15 WHEREAS, Mr. Nakamura became an ordained pastor on August 9, 2014 and 16 served as pastor of the Philadelphia Chuukienu Church of Guam; and WHEREAS, Mr. Nakamura worked hard to improve relations between the FSM 17 18 community and the broader community of Guam, strove to combat negative stereotypes of FSM people, and on June 19, 2020, was honored by being awarded the flag of the 19 20 United States that was flown over the United States capital by Guam Congressman 21 Michael F.Q. San Nicolas; and now therefore, be it RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'trentai Sais Na 22 Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, posthumously 23 recognize and commend the Late Casanova Nakamura, for his services and 24

contributions to the FSM community of Guam and the community of Guam as a whole;

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and be it further

- 1 **RESOLVED,** that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
- 2 certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of
- 3 the same be thereafter transmitted to the family of the Late Casanova Nakamura; and to
- 4 the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE DAY OF MONTH YYYY.

THERESE M. TERLAJE Speaker TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES Chairperson, Committee on Rules

AMANDA L. SHELTON Legislative Secretary